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# "E-steam on the NEOPA Express"



**Ramada Inn, Kearney, NE**  
**October 17-18, 2002**

## Thursday Evening, October 17, 2002

6:00 p.m. **Registration and Potato Bar** (includes soup, garden salad, potato toppings)

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. **The History of Tatting with Diane Wasser and Lola Young**

*Explore the history of tatting and then learn the art of tatting by completing your own tatting project.*

## Friday, October 18, 2002

8:00 - 8:20 a.m. **Registration, Coffee, and Rolls**

8:20 a.m. **Welcome**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. **"Putting More Air in Your Balloon"**  
**Marilyn Fox**, UNL Extension Educator, Hall County

*When a balloon is inflated, it provides enjoyment and purpose which are just like our self-esteem. If we feel good about ourselves, we can experience a more meaningful life which has purpose and we are better able to face the challenges that may come our way. Participants will leave this session with ideas on how they can improve their own self-esteem as well as the self-esteem of others.*

9:40 - 10:45 a.m. **"Cho-co-late"**  
**Carol Schwarz**, UNL Extension Educator, Buffalo County

*Chocolate is one of the most popular foods in the world, long enjoyed for its wonderful taste. This program will explore the different types of chocolate, discuss recent health and wellness research on the potential benefits of chocolate, melting tips, garnishes and best of all samples.*

10:50 - 12 noon **"Smart Women Finish Rich"**  
**Rebecca Maddox-Spady**, Investment Representative with Edward Jones Investments

*Learn the seven steps to living and finishing rich in this interactive workshop.*

Noon - 1:00 p.m. **Lunch**

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. **Business Meeting**

2:00 - 3:15 p.m. **"Continuing Education for Office Professionals"**  
**Galen D. Hadley**, Interim Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, UNK

*Join Galen in exploring continued education needs, benefits, and opportunities for today's office professional.*

3:15 - 3:30 p.m. **Break**

3:30 - 5:00 p.m. **"Identity Theft and Sexual Harassment, Assault, and Rape Prevention (SHARP)"**  
**John Schmitt**, Certified SHARP and DARE Instructor, Kearney Policy Dept.

*In the 1990's, a new kind of thief started to emerge and the number of victims is rapidly increasing. This thief takes more than just property. This thief steals identities. We will discuss what identity theft is and how to develop a prevention mindset to protect ourselves against this and other personal crimes.*

5:00 p.m. **Evaluation, Door Prizes, Attendance Certificates, and Home**



## BIOGRAPHIES

**Marilyn Fox** has served as an Extension Educator for the University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension since 1979. She currently serves as the state coordinator for a new Cooperative Extension program, Building Nebraska Families, which helps limited resource families transition from welfare to work by promoting self-sufficiency through family life skills education. She has served as the supervisor of Nutrition Education Programs in Hall and Adams Counties. This program focuses on teaching limited resource families about eating nutritiously for less money. She has also served as half-time Extension Educator in both Merrick County and Hall County.

Marilyn received her B.S. from Kansas State University and her Masters in Human Development and the Family from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She is married and has two married daughters and three granddaughters, one grandson, and another grandchild on the way. She enjoys reading and playing the piano especially with the guitar group at her church.

**Carol Schwarz** is an Extension Educator for Cooperative Extension in Buffalo County. She has been working for the University of Nebraska, Lincoln Cooperative Extension for 19 years. Carol received her Masters degree from the University of Nebraska Lincoln. She is a registered dietitian, and a kitchen and bath designer, but most importantly Carol is a chocolate lover.

**Rebecca Maddox-Spady** is a 21 year veteran Investment Representative with Edward Jones Investments in Hastings. She is a Certified Financial Planner. She is presently the regional growth leader for Edward Jones and the State Chair for the Grassroots Political Taskforce. Rebecca has been a limited partner in the firm since 1984, and currently sits on the Hastings Library Foundation Board. Rebecca is a true believer in Women helping Women and has helped educate numerous women and families over the years on the importance of saving and investing for their futures.

**Galen D. Hadley**, a Lincoln native, joined the University of Nebraska at Kearney in August 1991 as the dean of the College of Business and Technology. In July 2001, he returned to teaching. Prior to coming to UNK, Galen served as interim dean of the School of Business at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion. He also served that institution as interim president, vice president for academic affairs, vice president for administration and university relations, and directed graduate programs for the School of Business.

**Officer John Schmitt** has been with the Kearney police department for 16 years. He is a certified instructor in Defensive Tactics and SHARP (sexual harassment, assault, and rape prevention) through PPCT Management Systems. John is also a certified DARE instructor and currently is assigned as the School Resource/DARE Officer for the Kearney Schools.

